

**PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**

25th November 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians

Our children and young people have been excited to start preparing for our 'Papillon Christmas Celebration' this week, with classes starting to practice songs, staff prepping costumes and everybody designing their artwork for this occasion. I will be sending out a letter next week with a reply slip so that we know how many minced pies Emperor Class pupils need to prepare for the day! If your child is in secondary, you will be informed if they are taking part and invited along also.

I would like to congratulate Zachary in Peacock Class who has written, and created on PowerPoint, the most fantastic story this week about a very naughty fox. I was lucky enough to be invited to Peacock Class to have this story read to me today. He has put a lot of thought, creativity, and effort into creating a story full of suspense with many cliff hangers! Chapter 3 is complete, but due to how that chapter ended, I believe chapter 4 will be well on the way next week! I am very much looking forward to hearing it! Zachary is keen to share his story once it is finished and it will be available to read in the school library. Well done, Zachary!

Kind-a-thon

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, our Kind-a-thon event last Friday for Children In Need was very successful and gave an opportunity for the children to contextualise volunteering and doing activities for charity. There were a range of activities for the pupils to be involved in from, wheelbarrowing gravel in the car park to helping with recycling and helping Nina and Rachel in the kitchen with cutting up food. Attached to the newsletter are some wonderful pictures showing the children and young people in full swing!!

World Cup Celebration

All classes were invited to join a football afternoon on Monday to celebrate the world cup. This was held in the big hall during the first England game and every pupil joined in with the ball skills and tried the penalty shootout!! The secondary classes worked well alongside Caterpillar and it was lovely to see the older pupils looking out for the younger children. Some of our pupils, who find the noisy environment difficult, were able to attend even though it was a very busy environment – well done!

Post Papillon Options Event

It was lovely to see so many parents as well as our young people attend last week's transition event. Thank you to those of you who came. We hope that the information was useful and helped to signpost you to some of the opportunities that are available to our young people once they leave Papillon.

Community Visits

Meadow had a busy week with some children going to Tesco's, some to horse riding and some to Ashted Park Garden Centre. Caterpillar Class went to Tesco, Peacock went swimming and to Ashted Park Garden Centre and some of Swallowtail went swimming.

Star of the week

Our "stars" this week are:

Caterpillar	Cruz	<i>"for smelling different foods in cooking and food is fun"</i>
Meadow	Mia	<i>"for being amazing and good listening during girls club"</i>
Peacock	Bailey	<i>"for fantastic focus and making a story PowerPoint in ICT"</i>
Swallowtail	Freddie	<i>"for amazing Akademi dance this week"</i>

Birthdays

We have a very special birthday this weekend and we would like to wish our wonderful Una a very happy 60th birthday! We are delighted Una could celebrate with her class and that we could spoil her with some special gifts.

Secondary Department News

Monarch Class have started rehearsing Christmas play along songs on the Boomwhackers. Songs include Jingle Bells and We Wish You a Merry Christmas. We are hoping for a solo performance from one of our keen singers!!

The class also had a very positive PSHE lesson focussing on stereotypes, you might be interested to ask them what they have learnt from this.

Well done to Gabriel for lovely manners in attention activities this week! We are always very proud of our pupils when they manage the very difficult skill of taking responsibility, well done Louis this week for doing just that.

Thomas H has been excellent this year at actively participating in PE and asking to join in with the Boomwhackers session in Admiral Class this week.

Emperor class have been busy practicing making mince pies in preparation for the Xmas show. Car washing has also been very successful this week.

It has been lovely to have Dawid back in class this week and this was acknowledged by many of the pupils in secondary, as well as many of the staff.

Therapy

A huge well done to Ismail for his participation in his joint Occupational Therapy and Speech and Language Therapy session this week. Ismail used the swing and inflatable cushion to help him to remain engaged and he completed all the tasks presented to him, following instructions and engaging in adult led activities. Well done Ismail. *Claire Messom (Occupational Therapist) and Jessica Mason (Speech and Language Therapist)*

Well done to Joseph for great work in his playdough therapy session this week, engaging in some amazing imaginative play. Well done Joseph. *Shannon Dutton-Noll (Speech and Language Therapist) and Fran Byrne (Occupational Therapist)*

Brief Reminder

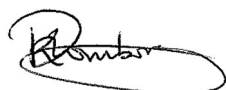
Please can we remind you, if you haven't already to send in the Bockett's Farm Father Christmas trip reply slips and money by Monday 28th November, thank you.

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place this term. I will send you further information nearer the time.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	28th November	AM)	Upper Primary trip to Father Christmas (Peacock and Swallowtail)
Wednesday	30 th November	AM	Lower primary trip to Father Christmas (Caterpillar and Meadow)
Thursday	8 th December	All day	Christmas Jumper Day (donations to Save the Children)
Monday	12 th December	All day	Children's Christmas Lunch and Christmas Mufti Day (donations to Crisis)
Wednesday	14 th December	PM	Papillon Christmas Celebration – Primary parents and individually contacted Secondary parents
Thursday	15 th December	PM	Children's Christmas Fair
Friday	16 th December	2pm	End of Term

Have a lovely weekend.



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